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REMARKS**Present Status of the Application**

The Office Action rejected claims 1-5 and 10-14 under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Portega (U. S. Patent 6,459,175). Claims 1-5 and 10-14 remain pending in the present application, and reconsideration of those claims is respectfully requested.

Discussion of Claim Rejections under 35 USC 102

The Office Action rejected claims 1-5 and 10-14 under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Portega. Applicants respectfully traverse the rejection for at least the reasons set forth below.

As stated in previous Response, the invention includes the features of the *Device ID code*, which is implemented in the supplied device and is to be detected by the universal power supplier to supply the require power pattern. Independent claims 1, 10, and 11 have clearly recited the features.

The Office Action in "*Response to Arguments*" particularly refers to battery with identification information (col. 58, lines 19+). Portega states : "*Battery device 43 can also provide the required information about its voltage as data already resident in its memory*". This only teaches that the battery provided its own ID for being used. The supplied device 112 has shown the features. In this situation, the Standard interface 110 is just transmitting the power and ID signal.

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It should be noted that the battery with ID is not equivalent to the supplied device with ID as recited in claimed invention. Portega failed to disclose all features in claimed invention.

The Office Action also uses the Examiner's personal opinion. It is respectfully believed that the "hindsight" has been involved to improperly construe the prior art reference. Also and, the rejection under 35 U.S.C. 102 is also improper.

Further still, with respect to claim 13, the device circuit itself also includes the specific battery for supplying voltage to the device circuit. In other words, the device circuit can still carry the specific battery in use or alternatively use the power supplied by the USP unit. Prior art references failed to disclose this additional feature. When considering the present invention as a whole, the present invention is not disclosed.

Further, the Office Action also refers to Castleman (U. S. Patent 6,045,846, hereinafter Castleman'846), which is a CIP of previously cited reference (U.S. Patent 5,570,002). In Castleman'846, the additional power adapter has been disclosed between the seat module and the supplied device (FIG. 5). In addition to the foregoing reasons in the previous Response, Castleman'846 also at least failed to disclose the claimed invention about the *device ID*. Actually, Castleman'846 intends to design the terminals 226(26), 229(29) to have the standard voltage regardless of the type of device 240(40) (Fig. 1, Fig. 5; col. 20, lines 23-24). The device 240 carries no device ID.

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For at least the foregoing reasons, Applicant respectfully submits that independent claims 1, 10, and 11 patently define over the prior art references, and should be allowed. For at least the same reasons, dependent claims 2-5 and 12-14 patently define over the prior art references as well.

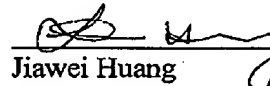
CONCLUSION

For at least the foregoing reasons, it is believed that all the pending claims 1-5 and 10-14 of the invention patently define over the prior art and are in proper condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes that a telephone conference would expedite the examination of the above-identified patent application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned.

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